

## DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES JOB OPPORTUNITY ADVANCED NURSE PRACTITIONER (REPOST) CENTRALIZED MEDICATION CONSENT UNIT (CMCU)

## PLEASE FOLLOW THE SPECIFIC APPLICATION FILING INSTRUCTIONS AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE!

Open To: The Public (If you have already submitted an application previously no need to reapply. Your

application will be considered.)

**Location:** Central Office **Job Posting No:** CS44756CO

Hours: 40

Salary: FP-30, \$88,634.00 - \$120,535.00 (Annually) Hires new to State of CT employment will start

at the beginning of the pay scale

Closing Date: November 17, 2015

The Department of Children and Families is seeking a child and adolescent psychiatric and mental health, "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse" (APRN) to function as an essential staff within our CMCU team. The Centralized Medication Consent Unit (CMCU) consists of child psychiatrists and APRN's who work collaboratively to provide consent for psychotropic medications for DCF committed children. Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- 1. Working collaboratively with the members of the CMCU to process state-wide provider calls, E-mails and faxed requests for psychotropic medications and to collect and enter data necessary to make informed consent decisions about psychotropic medication administration.
- 2. Working collaboratively with the Regional Medical Psychiatrists responding to the urgent and emergent psychiatric needs of children in DCF care who require medications to treat behavioral and emotional problems.
- 3. Responding to the needs and questions of community prescribers and the DCF Psychotropic Medication Advisory Committee (PMAC) about the Centralized Medication Consent Unit (CMCU) and the psychotropic medication permission process.
- 4. Responding to DCF physicians, Area Resource Group staff and Area Office staff regarding child specific medication consultations, questions and requests for medication history.
- 5. Providing education concerning psychotropic medication to DCF Area Office staff, the DCF Training Academy and community providers.
- 6. Participating on the monthly, interdisciplinary DCF Psychotropic Medication Advisory Committee (PMAC), sub-committees and attend regular continuing education opportunities.

Preference will be given to candidates that possess the following: Considerable knowledge of nursing principles and clinical therapeutic models as they relate to child and adolescent mental health needs; knowledge of diagnostic criteria per DSM IV TR and DSM V; considerable clinical assessment and evaluation skills; considerable knowledge of pharmacology as it relates to advanced nursing practice with children and adolescents; knowledge and experience with cross-cultural mental health issues with children and adolescents; considerable interpersonal skills; considerable oral and written communication skills; considerable knowledge of relevant state and federal laws, statutes and regulations; knowledge of state, federal and local health care agencies and programs; administrative ability.

**General Experience:** A current license as an advanced practice registered nurse issued by the Connecticut Department of Public Health.

Special Requirement: Incumbents in this class may be required to travel.

**Note:** The filling of this position will be in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion and merit employment rules, if applicable.

**Application Instructions:** Interested and qualified applicants who meet the above eligibility requirements should submit an Application for Employment (CT-HR-12), resume, letter of intent and three (3) letters of SUPERVISORY references (current State employees please provide last two Service Ratings in lieu of references). Please reference Job Posting # **CS44756CO**. Application material can be faxed to (860) 550-6433. Applications must be postmarked no later than closing date indicated above. Incomplete packages will not be considered. Due to the large volume of applications received we are unable to provide confirmation of receipt or status updates during recruitment process.

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